



Welcome to the

**Father Michael McGivney
Catholic Academy's
Open House
2023**



Prayer & Land Acknowledgement

FM/M Land Acknowledgement

We come together to acknowledge the First Nations land that we stand on, and recognize the contributions of Original People yesterday and today in the community we now call Markham.

We acknowledge the communities of the East, South, West and Northern directions, particularly the Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat, and Anishinaabe.

We respectfully acknowledge those who have walked on the land, those who walk on it now and future generations who have yet to walk upon it. We will make every effort to commit to living in harmony, building relationships and increasing awareness.



Greetings from the Principal

Ms. Camille Robinson



Greetings from Catholic School Council

Ms. Rachel Chong, *CSC Chair*



What sets
us apart?



*“The McGivney
Magic!”*





Student Government Perspective

Bruno Liu, *SG President*

What Does a Student Need to Graduate High School?

Complete Courses

- earn **30 credits**
- **18 credits** are compulsory
- 12 credits are optional

Community Service Hours

- **40 hours** of community involvement
- These may take place in a variety of settings, at any time before graduating

Pass a Literacy Test

- pass the **Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT)** or the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Course (OSSLC)

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Why Choose a Catholic School?

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

John 13:34

“Catholic schools can provide young people with insights and spiritual incentives badly needed in a materialistic and fragmented world. Catholic schools speak of the meaning of life, of values and of faith that make for a meaningful life.”

Pope St. John Paul II

What Catholic Schools offer:

- ▶ Values & Morals
- ▶ Faith-Based Education
- ▶ Discipline & Respect for ALL
- ▶ Community Involvement
- ▶ Diverse Learning Opportunities
- ▶ Safe and Supportive Environment
- ▶ Personal Growth

Is a Catholic school right for me?

- ▶ Expectations:
 - ▷ Respect for faith traditions and religious observances
 - ▷ Religious Education courses
 - ▷ Respect for ALL

Support For Students

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Special Education
ESL
Chaplaincy
Guidance Department
Library Learning Commons
Peer Tutoring
Behaviour Resource
Mental Health Support
Attendance Counselling
Co-curricular Activities

Specialized Programs



Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)



- **Arts & Culture**
- **Construction Engineering**
- **Health & Wellness**
- **Non-Profit**
- **Justice, Community Safety and Emergency Services (Centralized)**



A wooden post with three signs that say "CAREER". The top sign is rectangular and tilted upwards. The middle sign is arrow-shaped and points to the right. The bottom sign is rectangular and tilted downwards. The background is a clear blue sky with some light clouds. On the left side of the image, there is a vertical orange and white graphic element.

CAREER

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- Geared towards all 4 Pathways
- Internship (2 credit Co-op)
- Experiential learning opportunities
- Reach ahead exploration
- Industry recognized certifications
- Development of essential workplace skills

A globe is the central focus, showing the continents of North and South America. The text is overlaid on the right side of the globe. The background is a blurred image of a classroom or library with bookshelves. There are decorative diagonal stripes in orange and grey on the left side of the image.

FMM's International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme



The IB Diploma Programme



Group 1: Language A (*English HL/SL*)

Group 2: Second Language B (*French SL*)

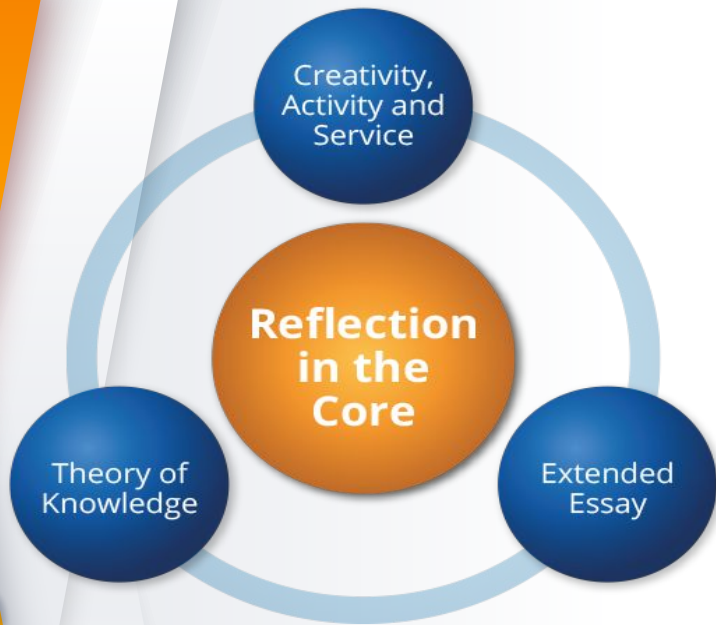
Group 3: Individuals & Societies
(*Economics HL or Psychology SL or Business Management SL*)

Group 4: Experimental Sciences (*Biology HL, Chemistry HL/SL, Physics SL*)

Group 5: Mathematics (*Mathematics HL/SL*)

Group 6: The Arts (*Visual Arts SL*) *(you may substitute with one additional course from groups 1-5)*

The IB Core



TOK

The interdisciplinary Theory of Knowledge (TOK) course

EE

Completion of the Extended Essay, 4000-word, research-based paper

CAS

Participation in Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) activities in school and in the community

What can I expect as an IB student?

- ▶ Academic Excellence
- ▶ International Perspective
- ▶ Holistic Development
- ▶ Research and Critical Thinking
- ▶ Post-secondary and Career Preparation
- ▶ Supportive Learning Environment



IB Student Perspectives

Varshaa & Halak

Grade 12 IB students

The FMM Difference

Diploma Pass Rate (May 2022)

World **88.93%** Canada **91%**

FMM **97%** over the past 9 graduating classes

Highest FMM Score

↳ **44** points (out of 45 points)

10 graduating classes - **100%** Exam Success Rate

Applying to the IB Programme

IB Admissions Application Form 2023
*(for entry into Pre-IB Diploma Programme for
Sept 2024)*

*Application Link will be available on [FMM website](#)
at 9AM on Friday Nov 10th*

Next Steps for All Students

IB Programme

- apply to the Programme via the **IB Admissions Application 2023** button on [FMM School website](#)
- **IB Admissions Fee of \$25 is payable via School Day** ([Instruction Page](#) in your folders and on website)
- successful applicants will be notified via email by December 22nd about the Registration process for the IB Programme >> **DO NOT REGISTER in the YCDSB system prior to our communication with you**

Comprehensive Program

YCDSB Associate Schools

*St. Benedict, St. Francis Xavier,
Sir Richard W. Scott*

- information & Registration process will be communicated through your Home School

Other YCDSB applicants OR non-YCDSB applicants

- Online Applications available starting Nov. 1st, 2023
- Register online at <https://www.ycdsb.ca/admissions/>



KickStart Program

The Kickstart program consists of:

- Literacy & Numeracy
- Design thinking
- Goal setting
- Pathways planning
- Time & stress management
- Physical activity



For more information about the program, please click [here](#)

STUDENTS GOING FROM GRADE

8 → 9

GET READY FOR HIGH SCHOOL!

- Develop your skills
- Earn a grade 9 credit
- Make new friends
- Meet some of the teachers

JULY 3 - JULY 26, 2024
8:30AM - 3:00PM

STUDENTS MUST COMMIT TO MANDATORY ATTENDANCE

STUDENTS ARE TO REGISTER FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL THEY WILL BE ATTENDING

REGISTER NOW

ce.ycdsb.ca



NEW Incoming YCDSB students, please click [here](#) for registration instructions

THIS PROGRAM IS ONLY FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING A YCDSB HIGH SCHOOL

Getting Ready For High School Summer Program 2024

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Questions?

